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REF: (A) KABUL 5981 (NOTAL); (B) KABUL 5982 (NOTAL)

1. DEPARTMENT VERY MUCH APPRECIATES YOUR BALANCED AND WELL
REASONED PRESENTATION ON U.S. POLICY INTERESTS IN AFGHANI-

STAN FORWARDED REFTELS. THEY WERE PARTICULARLY USEFUL TO US IN THE CONTEXT OF WASHINGTON COMMUNITY DISCUSSIONS HELD FOLLOWING UNDERSECRETARY NEWSOM'S VISIT TO KABUL.

2. WE CONCUR WITH YOUR BASIC CONCLUSION THAT WE SHOULD DO WHAT WE CAN TO AVOID A SITUATION WHICH FORCES AFGHANISTAN TO RELY TOTALLY ON THE USSR BY CONTINUING OUR MODEST PROGRAMS OF ASSISTANCE (INCLUDING IMET, PEACE CORPS, AND CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES) AND THUS TO GIVE THE DRA MANEUVERING ROOM AS IT SEEKS TO WORK OUT ITS RELATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS, ITS OTHER NEIGHBORS, AND WITH US. LIKEWISE, WE SHARE YOUR VIEW THAT WE SHOULD STAY ALERT TO ANY SIGNS THAT THE DRA IS VEERING AWAY FROM A GENUINELY NON-ALIGNED STANCE OR CREATING CONDITIONS WHICH WOULD MAKE IT DIFFICULT, IF NOT LEGALLY IMPOSSIBLE, FOR US TO CARRY OUT OUR ASSISTANCE ACTIVITIES, FOR EXAMPLE ADVERSE ACTIVITIES WITH REGARD TO HUMAN RIGHTS.

3. USING THE ABOVE AS GUIDELINES, WE BELIEVE YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED CORRECTLY THE ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF OUR RELATIONSHIP FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE (PARA 6 REFTEL), INCLUDING SUPPORT FOR AFGHAN INDEPENDENCE, ENCOURAGEMENT OF GENUINE NONALIGNMENT AND PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE REGION, AS WELL AS SUPPORT FOR AFGHANISTAN'S ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. CONSEQUENTLY, WE SHOULD -- AS YOU SUGGEST -- WORK WITH THE DRA TO IMPLEMENT OUR ASSISTANCE. CONFIDENTIAL

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4. WE ALSO SHARE YOUR CONCLUSION THAT THERE ARE SOUND POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC RATIONALES FOR MOVING AHEAD CAUTIOUSLY WITH OUR AID PROGRAM IN THE AREAS PROPOSED IN THE COUNTRY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY STATEMENT. WE SHOULD CONTINUE OUR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION DISCUSSIONS WITH THE DRA ON A PROJECT-BY-PROJECT BASIS, ASSESSING THE DRA'S COMMITMENT TO COOPERATION WITH US AT EACH STEP. VANCE

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